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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:
Wellinghoff**

Serial No.: 10/057,506

Filed: January 23, 2002

For: Novel Methods and Blends for Controlling Rheology and Transition Temperature of Liquid Crystals

Group Art Unit: 1756

Examiner: Jennifer R. Sadula

Atty. Docket: SwRI-2835-03

Petition for Extension of Time

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

To the extent required, Applicant hereby Petitions for An Extension of Time to Respond to the office action mailed July 27, 2004. Applicant was given a one month period for reply, until August 27, 2004. A response was filed on August 10, 2004, but the examiner found the reply to be not fully response to the office action.

Submitted herewith is a resubmission of arguments made April 7, 2004.

Applicant submits that a petition for extension of time should not be required to resubmit these arguments, which have not yet been considered, and which continue to apply to the claims as amended.

In the event that a Petition is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any petition fee, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0997 (SwRI-2835-03) maintained by Paula D. Morris & Associates, P.C.

Respectfully submitted,



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